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For: Data Processing System, Method,  
and Product for Reporting Loss of  
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In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.